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Vernon Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street NW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: Surface Transportation Board Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 400X); The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company Abandonment between Franklin and Red Cloud, in Franklin and Webster Counties, Nebraska.

Dear Secretary Williams:

On April 3, 2003, the Board issued a decision in the above-referenced proceeding imposing a notice of interim trail use/rail banking ("NITU") condition. The Board imposed a deadline of October 1, 2003, on the NITU. Due to ongoing negotiations with the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, the Nebraska Trails Foundation, Inc. requests an extension of the NITU for an additional 180 days (until March 29, 2004.)

Sincerely,

Ross Greathouse

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For the Nebraska Trails Foundation

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